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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Tabares et al. Examiner: Diem K. Cao Serial No.: 09/992,155 Group Art Unit: 2194 Filed: November 5, 2001 Confirmation No.: 5291

For: METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR

INSTANTIATING A DEVICE DRIVER FOR COMMUNICATION WITH A

DEVICE BY DYNAMICALLY ASSOCIATING THE DEVICE DRIVER AT RUNTIME WITH A DEVICE-SPECIFIC AND/OR SERVICE-SPECIFIC SOFTWARE

COMPONENT

Date: August 16, 2006

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Office Action mailed May 16, 2006.

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s)-including fees for net addition of claims-are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.Respectfully submitted,